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In re Application of: Frederick L. Ross  
Date Filed: May 24, 2001  
Title: LOCAL RETURNS OF REMOTELY  
PURCHASED MERCHANDISE WITH  
RETURN CODE VALIDATION

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. Copies of the cited issued patents are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

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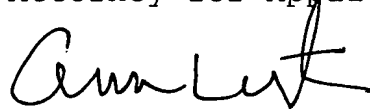
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